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SEMICONDUCTOR STRUCTURE

Group Art Unit: 2814

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed foreign patent documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Because the filing date of the present application is after June 30, 2003, copies of the listed U.S. patents are not included.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R § 1.97(e)(1), Applicants hereby certify that each item of

information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication

from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior

to the filing of the present statement, as evidenced by the date of the enclosed letter from our

associate in Germany.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present

case.

Respectfully submitted,

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Re: German Patent Application No. 103 14 505.2-33 Applicant: ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES, INC.

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Dear Mike:

Regarding the above-referenced German patent application, please be informed that we have received a first Official Communication from the German Patent and Trademark Office, to which a response is due by the extended term of July 20, 2004.

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Please find enclosed copies of a translation of the Official Communication, our report letter to Paul Drake, and any cited prior art documents. We will discuss the further procedure with both AMD legal and the inventor and will then inform you again of our filed response.

Very truly yours,

(Anton Pfau)

Encls: Translation of Official Communication

Copy of letter to Paul Drake Copies of cited prior art

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	A2	6,103,564	8/15/00	Masuda	438	237	
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Foreign Patent Documents

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	В2	WO 02/061841	8/08/02	PCT	H01L	29/00	Yes
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